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MorningSide neighbors enjoying Happy Hour at The Warren Cafe. Image courtesy of Nicolas Hall

Happy Hour Brings Smiles and Joy to MorningSide

Jeffrey D. Lewis II | The Morningsider

Detroit — A picture speaks volumes. The photo above represents what is great about MorningSide.

The MorningSide Happy Hour series has brought individuals together who have lived in our community for twenty plus years, as well as those who have recently called MorningSide home.

The previous Happy Hour on Friday, July 15th brought out many faces from just about every corner of our neighborhood. It's also important to note the gatherings have taken place right in our own backyard as Jeanie's J-Spot, and recent newcomer, The Warren Cafe have hosted our Happy Hours by providing a warm, welcoming ambiance for all patrons.

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New Community Flower Garden Coming to Featherstone

Annie Hakim & Renee Sandoval



A variety of flowers and fresh produce at the Featherstone Garden. Image courtesy of Susan Newell

One of the most important community partners that helps support our operations at Featherstone Garden is [Motor City Grounds Crew](#) — a nonprofit whose aim is to strengthen Detroit neighborhoods by leading green space beautification, hosting youth sports activities, and managing the East Warren Tool Library.

Recently, MCGC received a grant to fund a new community flower garden that lives just behind our greenhouse and outdoor garden. Beginning in mid-August, we will be offering donation-based 'u-pick flower bouquets' during farm stand hours (Wednesdays 12-5pm at 4178 Lakepointe). You will have the option to purchase one of our up-cycled vases or mason jars that we have available on site, or bring your own vase to fill.

Be sure to keep your eyes on our latest newsletters - sign up at <https://www.featherstonegarden.com/> - and instagram posts ([@featherstone.garden](#)) to stay in the loop.

Annie Hakim and Renee Sandoval are co-owners of Featherstone Garden

More Money Coming for Roof Repair

Bridge Detroit & The Morningsider

If you missed out on getting help with roof and window repair in the previous round of repairs offered by the Renew Detroit program, you will have another chance to apply this fall.

An additional \$15 million has been added to the popular program, aimed at providing solid roofs and windows to low-income Detroiters aged 62 and older, as well as residents with disabilities. Renew Detroit will accept applications beginning October 1 and ending October 31.

For details, see the following article from Bridge Detroit:

https://www.bridgedetroit.com/detroit-program-gets-15-million-to-repair-more-roofs-windows/?utm_source=Bridge+Detroit&utm_campaign=f5d97b7dfd-BridgeDetroit+Newsletter+08%2F04%2F2022&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f488832fef-f5d97b7dfd-82575312



A new roof is being installed. Image courtesy of Jim West

Continued... Happy Hour Brings Smiles and Joy to MorningSide

The Happy Hour series has provided the opportunity for neighbors to socially congregate once again, while also at the same time supporting local small businesses.

Much credit goes to MCO board member Nicolas Hall as he launched this initiative with one simple goal in mind, to bring MorningSide neighbors together.



Happy Hour at Jeanie's J-Spot in June. Image courtesy of Nicolas Hall

It has been extremely successful and our expectation is for it to grow even larger in the future.

We definitely want to encourage everyone to patronize both MorningSide establishments, Jeanie's J-Spot and The Warren Cafe.

Jeanie's J-Spot

16200 E Warren Ave, Detroit, MI 48224

Wed: 6 PM - 2AM - Sat: 6 PM - 2 AM

The Warren Cafe

16314 E Warren Ave, Detroit, MI 48224

FRI: 5 PM - SUN: 12 AM

Make sure to join us for August's Happy Hour this Friday, August 12th, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. at Jeanie's J-Spot.

Jeffrey D. Lewis II, Editor in Chief of The Morningsider, 2nd VP of MCO, and Owner of Morningside Cafe

Introducing "Curb Appeal"

Susan Newell | The Morningsider



Sean and Alicia Malone stand in front of their home on Barham street. Image courtesy of Susan Newell

This month we're introducing a new feature - "Curb Appeal" - to recognize residents on each street who go the extra mile to create a lovely front yard. We'll highlight a home on a different street each month, knowing that there will often be difficult choices to make on streets where many residents are working hard to landscape their homes. This is not a contest - it's just a way of saying thank you to some of the many neighbors who beautify MorningSide.

We'll skip "Curb Appeal" during the winter months because let's face it, no one's yard looks good in November or February.

We're starting this month with Barham, a street that has had more than its share of challenges over the years, including illegal dumping and depopulation. That's all the more reason to recognize the folks still there who've been determined to turn their homes into islands of beauty on a street where nature seems to be taking over.

Feel free to nominate a neighbor's home, or your own. You can reach us at morningsidecommunity2@gmail.com

In the 30 years that Sean and Alicia Malone have lived on Barham, north of East Warren, they've put love and energy into their home, and it shows. Flowers and colorful flower flags adorn their front porch, where lawn chairs invite neighbors to come sit and talk a while.

Sean recalls that when MorningSide Community Organization held its annual Beautification Awards in the 1990's, they always won an award for their block. "But that's not why we did it," Sean says. "We just want our home to look good."

Alicia says that most of their neighbors are long-time residents as well. "We're a close-knit block...We watch out for each other."

Barham almost feels like a little rural community in the middle of the city. The Malones have seen pheasants, rabbits, foxes - even a deer once. On a summer day you'll hear song birds and find wild pink sweet peas and day lilies growing on a hill that was once a pile of illegally dumped concrete. Mother Nature has covered and reclaimed it with vegetation.

Sean and Alicia love the peace and quiet of their block. "We're not going anywhere," Alicia says with pride.

Susan Newell, retired nurse and resident of MorningSide since 1984. Serves as the Associate Editor of The Morningsider

Brilliant Detroit Concludes a Busy Summer of Fun for MorningSide Kids

EJ Haralson | Contributing Writer

MorningSide's Brilliant Detroit house, located at 5048 Balfour, is pleased to offer some great programs/events in August- Summer Camp, Back to School Fun Day, Good Vibz Yoga, Arts & Scraps, Meet up & Eat up, Parent as First Teacher, and Taekwondo.

Back To School Fun Day!

MorningSide is ending summer with a bang! The MorningSide community is celebrating their summer camp kids accomplishments. After a summer of learning and improving they are wrapping up with a well deserved day of fun! On Thursday the 11th, MorningSide will be transformed into a child's dream. Families will have the opportunity to jump around in the Bouncy castle! A variety of special treats including popcorn, hot dogs, and snow cones for all to enjoy. Children of the MorningSide Community will be provided with backpacks full of back-to-school essentials preparing them for school. Wrapping up the day of fun, the kids will be rewarded for their completion of summer camp and tutoring. An exciting day and great way to end summer for the MorningSide community!

Sumer Camp: June 20 - August 11, 2022

MorningSide Summer Camp is coming to a close, our Literacy and Arts Summer Camp for kids offered so many fun, exciting, and knowledgeable programs and events for kids to be active and expand their learning skills this summer. Children have gained achievements and learn values of teamwork and individual responsibility in daily tasks in a healthy learning environment. In order to build individual character, confidence and skills we have orchestrated a wide range of sports, workshops, and inclusive activities for the children to participate in. Summer Camp began Monday June 20th and ends on Thursday August 11th with a "Back To School Fun Day" Event programming from Monday to Thursday starting 10am and ending at 3pm.

Our Summer Programs include ABC Mouse, Lunch (Meet Up & Eat Up), Arts & scraps, Taekwondo, Garden Team, Reading is Fundamental, Improv, and many other programs/activities. We will also have special events such as our MorningSide Camp Tees, Water Fight, Elephant toothpaste, Fathers Day Event, and Juneteenth as well.

To learn more about our activities, click on the link below:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdmS2dulGsjr5yex7nvaRfeoPxpTqLR4ZK8j3gBWIDpCTANXQ/viewform>



**Children running through the water sprinkler.
Image courtesy of Brilliant Detroit**

Good Vibz Yoga & Well-Being

Yoga is a way of exercising that is incorporated to encourage self- confidence and a healthier outlook. Yoga instructor, Chantia Thompson leads groups of all ages into a time of relaxation while providing sessions that help regulate stress and anxiety, and to calm down naturally. On Wednesdays between 11 am - 12 pm, Mrs. Thompson also does enriching activities with kids to improve their overall mental stimulation outside of physical performance.

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Arts and Scraps: June 22 - August 10

Arts and Scraps is a non-profit organization focused on reducing urban waste by repurposing materials and offering scholarship funds that support local artists, instructors, and/or non-profit in the realm of Arts. Outside of Arts and Scraps giving Brilliant Detroit MorningSide a scholarship to receive art supplies for our other in-house programs, we have been hosting an Arts and Scraps Program for the entire duration of our summer camp! During an hour for our summer camp Arts and Scraps hosts helped create & learn about different animal species through art with our children! They have created Bats out of foam, raffle tickets, and glitter; they have made penguins and learned a lot of facts about them as well!

Weekly on Wednesdays from 2 - 3pm

Reading is Fundamental: June 24 - August 11

RIF provides resources such as books, STEM-themed classroom activities, professional development for educators, and parent engagement materials. Reading is Fundamental helps strengthen literacy skills in children by actively engaging them in the learning process. This program provides kids with the opportunity to obtain the fundamental building blocks to achieve their highest potential by engaging them with culturally relevant books and literacy activities.

Weekly on Thursday from 1 - 2pm

Meet Up & Eat Up: June 21 - August 9

In order to feed our children during summer camp, we have help from Wayne Metro's Meet Up & Eat Up Snack Wagon! This program is essentially lunch on wheels; they come in at a specific time once or twice a week and provide lunch meals for our summer campers. These meals not only will help sustain our campers but will ensure everyone has equal access to healthy food in our community.

Parent as First Teacher: June 20 - August 11

Brilliant Detroit MorningSide wants to celebrate the people who teach children first, our parents/guardians. Our summer camp will be filled with volunteers and parents alike who will help aid in the daily operations process of the summer camp. Each Parent as First Teacher will be compensated for their time with us to show our appreciation of how much our parents/guardians really are the lifeline to our community and organization! This group has also been trained to host certain literacy programs, which allows our Parent as First Teachers to become role models for multiple kids in our community and not just for their own.

Daily throughout summer camp

Taekwondo

Children ages 6 & up have learned the fundamentals of Taekwondo every Wednesday from 2pm-3pm in person. One of the most systematic and scientific Korean traditional martial arts. Taekwondo teaches the importance of discipline and emphasizes the physical fitness components and awareness.

To register your child, click on the link below:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeOVYe_uFnG3OyCJ-5RrqdT_xHDqeK5vmz2G5us4ALmgqn9nOO/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0

EJ Haralson is a Community Engagement Coordinator for Brilliant Detroit MorningSide

Eastside Community Network Fighting for Climate Justice

Erin Stanley | Contributing Writer

In times of crisis, it helps to remember that trouble doesn't last, always. Despite climate change, COVID-19, economic inequality, and structural racism we can respond to these challenges by pushing for transformational change and envisioning new ways of living together. We can engage with the natural world in a manner that promotes our mutual health and wellbeing.

Our eastside neighborhoods have endured the racist fracturing of our social, economic, and structural fabric. Yet the forces that frayed us will not save us. Eastside Community Network (ECN) works with neighborhood leaders and institutions to leverage our shared expertise, amplify resident voices, and create shared pathways for a more just and inclusive future.

Climate justice is central to our health and wellbeing, determining the quality of the air we breathe, the health of the soils under our feet, our protection from street and basement flooding, our access to power, and, ultimately, our predicted life expectancy.

So what specifically are we doing about it and how can you get involved?



Sections of Belle Isle Park experienced significant flooding two years ago. Image courtesy of Jim West

Resident leadership and land stewardship - Our LEAP Sustainability Fellowship is currently in its third cohort, and we just started a Resident Climate Corps. These programs help build the knowledge and skills for resident leaders interested in sustainability related projects in their neighborhoods.

Some examples include transforming vacant lots into community gardens and neighborhood hubs, leading bike tours to promote greenways and green stormwater infrastructure, and helping residents with flood recovery.

Reach out to Erin Stanley at estanley@ecn-detroit.org or (313-331-3495). if you have a project idea or want to become an eastside climate ambassador!



Rain Barrel workshop at the Detroit Riverfront. Image courtesy of Jim West

Promoting climate resilience - The Stoudamire Wellness Hub serves as a space for the community to access recreation, resources, healthcare, and assistance while staying safe during climate crises. The Stoudamire has a variety of programming underway and is being retrofitted with solar storage and other "green" features that will ensure it is safe and operational even during extreme weather.

The Stoudamire is part of the Resilient Eastside Initiative building a network of resilience hubs in neighborhoods across the eastside that will provide food, supplies, information, and a safe place during emergencies as well as normal times.

For more information contact Nayomi Cawthorne at ncawthorne@ecn-detroit.org or (313-264-1417) or become a member by paying anywhere from \$0 to \$20 a year at <https://www.ecn-detroit.org/the-stoudamire>.

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Continued... Eastside Community Network Fights for Climate Justice

Policy advocacy and community power building - The Eastside Climate Action Coalition (ECAC) is a group of residents, community organizations, environmental groups, and government allies guided by a resident leadership team.

Its goals are to build community power, make the concerns of eastsiders around climate issues heard, and promote community health and climate resilience. We are building a climate policy agenda that reflects the concerns and needs of eastsiders around specific issues and are developing advocacy skills and strategies to implement these ideas.

Join us! We meet monthly on the second Wednesday from 5:00-6:30 p.m. on Zoom. Register at bit.ly/eastsideclimate. We are combining our August and September meetings into one exciting in-person event at the Stoudamire (4401 Conner St.) on August 24th 5 - 8 p.m., where we will learn to build community power and develop strategies to combat climate change on the eastside! Find out more about our events here: <https://www.ecn-detroit.org/events-calendar>.

The time is now and the solution is us.

Resources for further reading:

Limited Resources Still Available to Prevent Evictions

Bridge Detroit & The Morningsider

Now that the COVID Emergency Rental Assistance (CERA) program is winding down, evictions in Detroit are increasing, but the situation isn't hopeless. CERA is not accepting new applications, but they will still help with active evictions (i.e. where a summons and complaint has already been issued by the district court) until the end of August.

Some resources are also available through the Wayne County Emergency Rental Assistance Program and housing advocacy organizations like United Community Housing Coalition. The new "right to counsel" ordinance also allows for free legal representation for tenants facing evictions.

- "Racism is killing the planet," By Hop Hopkins in Sierra Magazine
- The National Black Climate Mandate from the Movement for Black Lives and the Red, Black, and Green New Deal
- Toxic Debt: an Environmental History of Detroit, by Josiah Rector
- Living Detroit: Environmental Activism in an age of Urban Crisis, by Brandon Ward



Protesters march against the systemic policies impacting Climate Change. Image courtesy of the Milwaukee Independent

Erin Stanley is the Climate Equity Manager for Eastside Community Network. Ricky Ackerman, Director of Climate Equity, and CEO Donna Givens Davidson, also contributed to this article

Find out more about the housing challenges and how to deal with them in this article from Bridge Detroit:

<https://www.bridgedetroit.com/millions-of-dollars-in-rental-assistance-drying-up-and-could-bring-evictions-in-michigan/>

Neighborhood Bike Ride this Saturday, Featuring Three Sisters Farm

Nicolas Hall | The Morningsider

Join your neighbors on **Saturday, August 13th** as we visit Three Sisters Farm.

Located just outside Morningside, Three Sisters is an urban garden that spans 12 lots on the 4300 block of Manistique. The garden features a variety of vegetables and fruit trees, natural pathways through wild grasses, and lots of other elements that make it a really neat place to explore.

Participants will meet up at **Three Mile Park (4400 Three Mile Drive)** at 10am. From there we'll cruise the neighborhood, meandering west until we arrive at Three Sisters Farm. After meeting the owners and getting a short history of the garden, we will bike back to Three Mile Park. The ride will be about 4 miles in total and wrap up by noon.

All riders are encouraged to wear bike helmets. If you have questions or concerns, please call Nic Hall at (815) 354-2092.

Hope to see you Saturday morning!

September's bike ride date has also been set as well.

Details are listed below:

September Bike Ride
Saturday, September 24th, 10am - noon
 Meet up: Three Mile Park, 4400 Three Mile Drive
 Destination: Sanctuary Farms

Nicolas Hall, At-Large MCO board member, works for the Blue Oval Company and loves to ride his bike throughout MorningSide

MECCA Offers Leadership Opportunities

The Morningsider

Mecca Development Corporation is currently seeking several board positions including Board Chair. If you are seeking an opportunity to have a direct positive impact on your community, this is the volunteer role for you.

Our mission is to empower and engage residents and businesses across MorningSide, East English Village, and Cornerstone Village with the knowledge, skills, resources, and support to revitalize our communities in a sustainable way for future generations.

Our program focus areas include workforce development training, development without displacement, beautification of public spaces, crime prevention and public safety, resident empowerment and engagement.

For more information or an application, please contact LeJuan Council at info@meccadc.org or visit www.Meccadc.org.



A leadership meeting. Image courtesy of Harvard Business School Online

Let's Talk Trash

The Morningsider

You may want to keep the customer service number for GFL Environmental handy. They missed all of Three Mile Dr. between Harper and Mack at last Thursday's trash pickup. It was finally picked up the following Monday. Their general number is **844-464-3587**. You'll get a menu of options - press 9 for Detroit customers.

Here are our next three bulk trash, recycling, and yard waste pickup dates:

- Thursday, August 18th
- Thursday, September 1st & 15th



A pile of brush dumped along a side berm on Bremen Street. Image courtesy of Jeffrey D. Lewis II

The Scam Every Renter Needs to Know About

Outlier Media & The Morningsider

This article from the Detroit-based online magazine Outlier Media, tells the cautionary tale of one Detroiter who was the victim of a rent-to-own housing scam.

<https://outliermedia.org/the-fake-landlord-scam-destroys-lives-in-detroit-but-culprits-rarely-face-consequences/>

We received this story recently from the United Community Housing Coalition (UCHC), a housing advocacy organization founded in 1973 to help low-income residents stay in their homes and strengthen their communities.

United Community Housing Coalition continues to work hard to make sure that every resident has a safe, affordable home. If you need housing assistance or if you want to help others who need it, find out more about United Community Housing Coalition at <https://www.uchcdetroit.org/>.



Detroit resident, June Walker. Image courtesy of Sylvia Jarrus

Streetscape Progress on E. Warren

The Morningsider

Everything you want to know about progress on the E. Warren streetscape can be found in the E. Warren Development Corporation's weekly newsletter. You can sign up for it here: <https://linktr.ee/ewdc>. The newsletter provides other timely news about happenings along the E. Warren business corridor as well.

We also encourage residents who have questions about what's going on to attend virtual weekly informational meetings with representatives of the city on Wednesdays from 5 - 6 p.m. at <https://cityofdetroit.zoom.us/j/88343840935>.

In a nutshell - mainline underground electrical work has been completed on the north side of E. Warren except for the corner at Courville, and sidewalks have been placed. Beginning the week of August 8, milling the road (i.e. removing the top layer of the street) begins, along with construction of the island on the north side of the street to provide a tree-lined barrier between the bike lane and cars.

So far there have been no major delays, and we're on track to have a beautiful new streetscape by sometime next spring!



The future of the East Warren Streetscape. Image courtesy of the City of Detroit



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CONNER CREEK GREENWAY

BIKE TOURS

LEARN THE HISTORY OF THIS CITY TREASURE

Led by Danny Dolley



Thursday, August 11 | 6pm - 8:30pm
Bike Tour leaves at 6:15pm

The Stoudamire
4401 Conner St., Detroit, MI 48215

Need a bike? Contact Bethany Howard
bhoward@ecn-detroit.org | (313) 264-1404

EASTSIDE COMMUNITY NETWORK PRESENTS

COMING TOGETHER!!!



Please join us as our youth of Eastside Community Network shares, their final project plans to help better our community.

AUGUST 12, 2022

|4401 Conner St, Detroit, Mi 48214 | 10:00AM-12:00PM



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Ice cream social




Michigan Department of State
ROAD TO RESTORATION
DRIVER'S LICENSE CLINICS

This **free clinic** will provide residents with information on how to get your driver's license restored. All who have questions are welcome to attend and speak with MDOS staff and/or volunteer attorneys.

To register: <https://bit.ly/R2RDetroitSW>

For additional info: Michigan.gov/RoadtoRestoration

Wednesday,
August 24, 2022

Clinic: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Walk-ins: noon to 6 p.m.



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Social and Economic Development (LASED)
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Detroit, 48209

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ECN HEALTH & WELLNESS FAIR

Saturday, August 13th
The Stoudamire
4401 Conner St.
10:00am - 3:00pm

Get Free Health Screenings & Wellness Resources!

Wayne State University Health
Ascension Health
American Cancer Society
Team Wellness
Detroit Water & Sewage Dept.

Come to our health and wellness fair to get booster shots, physicals, and other resources for you and your family as we prepare to go back to school!

Learn more and register for the health fair at www.ecn-detroit.org/healthfair



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Latisha Johnson
DETROIT CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

District 4 Bike Ride Bike Ride with Councilmember Johnson

Tuesday, August 16, 2022
6:00PM
Balduck Park (Meet at Chandlerpark/Canyon St.)

 District 4-Councilwoman Latisha Johnson  @cmlatishajohnson



Movies in the Park

Friday, August 12, 2022
8PM
Skinner Park
12800 Kelly Road,
Detroit MI
Movie: Encanto

Latisha Johnson
DETROIT CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

*Please bring your own chairs

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Lifeline Plan Enrollment Fairs

Learn about Detroit's first income-based water affordability plan by attending an upcoming Lifeline Plan Enrollment Fair. Hear about the plan, share your feedback and enroll onsite.

- \$18**
Your monthly water, sewer & drainage bill if household income is at or below 135% of Federal Poverty Level (FPL)
- \$43**
Your monthly water, sewer & drainage bill if household income is above 135% of FPL but at or below 150% of FPL
- \$56**
Your monthly water, sewer & drainage bill if household income is above 150% of FPL but at or below 200% of FPL

Residents can **learn more** and **enroll** in the **DWSD Lifeline Plan** during several upcoming in-person and virtual fairs. The DWSD Lifeline Plan is an income-based water affordability plan where qualifying customers can receive up to 4,500 gallons of water every month at a fixed monthly rate. The average Detroit household uses 2,000-3,000 gallons per month.

Significantly reduce your monthly bill and get your water bill **past-due debt wiped out for good!** Debt forgiveness is a one-time opportunity for eligible households.

Attend a DWSD Lifeline Plan Enrollment Fair.

- Bring your photo ID (city, state or federally issued ID or passport)
- Social Security number (required by federal programs)
- Proof of income eligibility

During the fairs, you can provide feedback on the Lifeline Plan for possible future improvements or submit it [online](#).



DWSD LIFELINE PLAN ENROLLMENT FAIRS

VIRTUAL -- Learn about the plan, give feedback and schedule appointment with Wayne Metro
 Tuesday, July 26 at 6 p.m.,
 Zoom: <https://bit.ly/lifelinefair>
 Meeting ID: 864 1085 1498
 Passcode: 841600

DISTRICT 2 with Onsite Enrollment
 Thursday, August 4, 6 p.m.
 Fellowship Chapel, 7707 West Outer Drive

EIGHT MORE EVENTS COMING SOON
 Keep posted to detroitmi.gov/water for Lifeline Plan Enrollment Fair dates and times.

DOOR-TO-DOOR OUTREACH

Starting in August, Detroit-based and minority-owned Human Fliers will be canvassing to reach nearly 50,000 likely eligible households. They will help you start the enrollment process at your doorstep!

The program is funded by regional, state and federal dollars.

Apply at an upcoming fair, or at waynemetrolife.org/DWSDLifeline or call 313-386-9727

TAKE PART: Tap Into the Lifeline Plan



SATURDAYS
10AM - 2PM



The Senior Sun Garden Experience will provide participants with a hands-on introduction to Organic Urban Gardening taught by the experienced organic growers / educators.

Each participant will receive:
 At home garden startup kits

Use the QR code or register Here: <https://forms.gle/ALT7QICQDVAxmqd8>
 CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION
 (313) 914-9638
raikisha@migrainscrew.com

GARDEN SCHEDULE

- JUNE** 17th, 25th
- JULY** 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th
- AUGUST** 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th
- SEPTEMBER** 10th, 17th, 24th

PARTICIPANTS WILL LEARN

- The benefits of growing a garden
- 3 Ways to grow a plant at home
- Healthy seasonal eating
- Hands on seed starting
- Health benefits
- How to prepare great tasting meals

2022 Information from the City of Detroit

2022

Be a good neighbor!

The City is reminding residents to follow the guidelines regarding yard waste and bulk collection. Residents must adhere to the following guidelines to ensure your items will be picked up on your scheduled collection day and to **prevent being ticketed**.

Packing Yard Waste

- Grass clippings, leaves, and small twigs no more than 2 inches in diameter go in paper yard waste bags or in a personal container clearly marked yard waste.
- Branches and twigs up to 4 feet long and 4 inches in diameter must be bundled and tied. They should weigh no more than 60 pounds.
- All yard waste should be 6 feet from your trash and recycling containers.
- **Yard waste in plastic bags will not be picked up.**
- **Yard waste should not be mixed with bulk items.**

Keeping Bulk Items Under the Limit

- Bulk items should be no more than 1000 pounds or exceed two cubic yards in volume (about the size of two stoves).
- **ACCEPTABLE ITEMS** include furniture, appliances, hot water tanks, carpeting, mattresses, large toys, etc.
- Remove doors from appliances first.
- Carpet should be cut in strips, no more than 4 feet wide, rolled and tied in bundles no more than 60 pounds per bundle.
- All refrigerants need to be drained from appliances first.
- **UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS** include: remodeling or construction debris, household hazardous waste, flammables, explosives, paint, batteries, hazardous or medical wastes, fuel, oil, tires, car parts, needles, radioactive materials, chemicals, etc.

Did you know DPW offers Paid Pickup?

DPW provides affordable curbside pickup for bulk and yard waste items that may exceed the City's collection limits. Call **313-876-0004** to request a quote today.



Illegal Dumping

Placing items at vacant lots and vacant homes is prohibited. Avoid getting a ticket by following our guidelines: to report illegal dumping, please use the Improve Detroit mobile app.

CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

- Are NOT accepted at the curb
- If you have sinks, cabinets, windows, shingles, concrete, etc., contact DPW for the paid pickup service OR take the items to J. Fons for a fee.
- Have questions? Call the Department of Public Works at 313-876-0004

Contact DPW • 313-876-0004 • www.detroitmi.gov/dpw
 Follow us on social media! Instagram @Detroit_DPW • Facebook City of Detroit Department of Public Works

E. Warren DevCo Gets Major Grant

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Thanks to a \$50,000 grant from the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, the East Warren Farmers Market and E. Warren Development Corporation (EWDC) office will be getting significant upgrades in 2023.

The money will allow EWDC to add a 36-unit market shed to the weekly farmers market located in the parking lot next to the EWDC office in the old Pizza Hut building. Two commercial kitchens and several pop-up units for retail businesses will be added. Picnic tables, community activities, and public Wi-Fi will be in the mix as well.

“When you’re buying something at the farmers market, it’s making an impact on your local community,” EWDC Executive Director Joe Rashid told the Detroit Free Press recently. “In the first two years of the market - we’ve had 36 markets, and \$85,000 in revenue has all gone back into our local economy. And with the third season of the market now, our goal is to just ramp that up and really build upon that to make sure that we can really support our community as best as we possibly can.”

EWDC has had its share of challenges with the construction of the E. Warren streetscape at its doorstep, but that project should be completed by the end of this year, and EWDC is poised to do great things for our community in 2023.



Conceptual rendering of the East Warren Farmers Market. Image courtesy of East Warren Development Corporation

Next MCO Community Meeting

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MorningSide Community Organization’s next meeting will be held on the second Tuesday of the month, September 13 at Three Mile Munich Park at the corner of - you guessed it - Three Mile and Munich.

Don’t miss this opportunity to stay informed about your community and get to know your neighbors!



Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan listens to the concerns of MorningSide residents. Image courtesy of Nicolas Hall

Give A Smile, Get A Smile

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Abraham Walker and his brother James have some lessons to teach all of us about gratitude and finding the joy in simple things. The boys, from Sierra Leone, were living in an orphanage before being adopted in 2021. Abraham experienced his first birthday party when he turned 12 recently and was overwhelmed with the love of family that surrounded him. To Abraham, "it's not just a birthday cake, it's a blessing cake"! What a beautiful reminder to not take our days for granted and to celebrate the little things.

<https://www.cbsnews.com/video/boy-adopted-from-sierra-leone-experiences-his-first-birthday-celebration/>



Abraham Walker. Image courtesy of CBS News

Give A Smile, Get A Smile (Bonus)

We also have a bonus entry for *Give A Smile, Get A Smile*. This one was submitted by MorningSide resident, Donyelle Pressley. This one is sure to bring a "extra" smile to your face.

[We Got a Kitten Problem Louisiana Man Rescuing One Kitten Ambushed by 12 More](#)



Robert Brantley and his kittens. Image courtesy of Yahoo! Life

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